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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

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SCHEDULING OF FLYING TRAINING

1. PURPOSE: To establish the procedures to be followed for the scheduling of U-2 training flights.
2. SCOPE: This SOP is applicable to the scheduling of all U-2 training activities.
3. RESPONSIBILITY: The Director of Operations is responsible for adherence to the provisions of this SOP.
4. GENERAL: Flying schedules will be based on the following desired criteria:
 - a. Mission pilots, should normally be scheduled for a minimum of three sorties and ten hours per month in order to accomplish a proportionate share of quarterly requirements. One sortie per month will be a high level sortie. The remainder of the time can be flown in any combination of high or low level sorties.
 - b. Other U-2 qualified pilots will be scheduled to meet PHD and AFM 60-1 minimum requirements. U-2 qualified pilots will not be scheduled against time required to maintain mission pilots in O/R status.
5. PROCEDURES: The following procedures will be adhered to for all U-2 flying at [redacted]
 - a. Weekly schedule: A weekly schedule will be published by the Operations section on Friday of the week prior. This schedule will be coordinated with [redacted] Director of Materiel, and the Detachment Commander prior to publication.
 - b. Daily Scheduling: A daily flying schedule will be published for the next days flying activity. Any change from the weekly schedule will be coordinated with [redacted] the Director of Materiel, and the Detachment Commander.
 - c. Maintenance Sorties: The Director of Materiel will notify the Director of Operations of required maintenance sorties for inclusion on the daily flight schedule.

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Detachment Commander

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